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2. COTTON
*** LIBERATION 12/13/2005
- "AFRICA'S LEGS ARE MADE OF COTTON", by special correspondent
in HongKong Christian Losson

3. COTE D'IVOIRE
*** LE MONDE 12/15/2005
- "GENERAL PONCET IS INDICTED", by Laurent Zecchini
- "BOUAKE: FRENCH OFFICER ACCUSES GBAGBO'S ENTOURAGE"

- *** LIBERATION 12/14/2005
- "GENERAL PONCED INDICTED", by Jean-Dominique Merchet

- *** LE MONDE 12/14/2005
- "FIRMIN MAHE'S LAST MOMENTS", by Gerard Davet and Fabrice
Lhomme
- "HANDIMAN OR EDUCATOR, ACCORDING TO HIS LAWYERS"

4. DROC
*** LA CROIX 12/15/2005
- "FORTHCOMING REFERENDUM DIVIDES RD-CONGO", by special
correspondent in Kinshasa Francois d'Alencon

5. RWANDA
*** LE FIGARO 12/12/2005
- "SERIOUS ACCUSATIONS AGAINST FRENCH MILITARY", by Patrick de
Saint Exupery
*** LA CROIX 12/12/2005
- "CONTROVERSIAL BOOK REVISITS RWANDAN GENOCIDE", by Laurent
d'Ersu

6. GABON
*** LE FIGARO 12/15/2005
- "OMAR BONGO FEELS PARIS ABANDONED HIM", by Patrick de Saint
Exupery

7. CHAD
*** LE MONDE 12/14/2005
- "DESERTERS' LEADER IS PRESIDENT DEBY'S FORMER ALLY", by
correspondent in Nairobi Jean-Philippe Remy

- *** LIBERATION 12/12/2005
- "PRESIDENT OF CHAD ABANDONED BY HIS OWN", by correspondent
in Ndjamena Stephanie Braquehais

8. NIGER
*** LA CROIX 12/10-11/2005
- "SHOULD NIGER HOST FRANCOPHONE GAMES?", by Jean Luc Ferre

9. ETHIOPIA/ERITREA
*** LIBERATION 12/13/2005
- "ETHIOPIA WILL NOT FIRE THE FIRST SHOT", by special
correspondent in Zala Anbesa Lea-Lisa Westerhof

10. SUDAN
*** LA CROIX 12/13/2005
- "NEW ACCUSATIONS AGAINST SUDANESE GOVERNMENT OVER DARFUR",
by Laurent d'Ersu
- "RAPE HAS BEEN USED AS WAR WEAPON", by Gaetan Du Roy
11. Minimize considered.

